Refundable security deposit for one Pressure Regulator —Rs. 100

FOR DOUBLE CYLINDER CONNECTION

Refundable security deposit for two cylinders —Rs. 1800

Refundable security deposit for one Pressure Regulator —Rs. 100

*In the North-Eastern region, the rate of security deposit for a single cylinder is Rs. 500 and Rs. 50 for a pressure regulater and Rs. 1000 for two cylinders.

In addition to above, the following service charges are allowed to be collected by the distributor at the time of release of new connection:—

(i)	Inspection of hot plate charges	Rs. 100/-
(ii)	Installation charges	Rs. 10/-
(iii)	charges for domestic gas consumer card	Rs. 10/-

(b) Oil companies have not received such complaint against their distributors in the year 1999-2000. However, during the year 1998-99, one of the distributors of Indian Oil Corporation in Assam was found charging unauthorised amount from the customers. The delinquent distributor was penalised with a penalty of Rs. 5000 in accordance with the provisions of Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG), 1994,. Further, a criminal case has also been registered against him.

(c) Regular check of the LPG distributors is carried out by officers of the oil companies at different levels If any distributor is found indulging in any malpractice /irregularity, action is initiated against such a distributor for the established malpractice/irregularity, depending upon its nature.

Rehabilitation Package for Super Cyclone Victims in Orissa

*549. SHRI GANDHI AZAD : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the rehabilitation package formulated by the Task Force constituted for super cyclone in Orissa;

(b) whether it is a fact that in the affected villages people are taking shelter under polythene-covers and reports of sun-stroke death have begun; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SUNDER LAL PATWA) : (a) The High Powered Task Force had recommended various medium and long-term measures for the affected areas of Orissa in the fields of health, water & sanitation, shelter, food & nutrition, education, agriculture, environment and social sectors. In accordance with the recommendations of the Task Force, the Orissa Cyclone Reconstruction Authority has been set up for rehabilitation and reconstruction in the State including finalisation and implementation of the reconstruction programme. The State Government has recently set up the Orissa State Disaster Mitigation Authority to coordinate the restoration and reconstruction work.

(b) and (c) No report regarding people taking shelter under polythene covers and deaths due to sun stroke have been received fom the State Government.

Cooperative Industrial Units

*550. SHRI LAJPAT RAI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that Cooperative Industrial Units do not have an access to BIFR;

(b) if so, whether NCDC propose to set a Revival Fund on the pattern of BIFR to assist sick Cooperative Industrial Units; and

(c) why NCDC does not provide concessional financial assistance to the State for revival of sick Cooperative Industrial Units ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SUNDER LAL PATWA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. At present there is no such proposal under consideration.

(c) The NCDC does not have access to concessional finance and hence it is not possible for NCDC to provide any such assistance for revival of sick cooperative industrial units.

Social Security Net for People Below Poverty Line

*551. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: